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Notice

As usual there will be no paper issued from this office Christmas week. Our next issue will be dated Jan. 5th.

We send you herewith Christ mass cheer and all good wishes for a safe and happy holiday season with your friends and relatives.

Mr. Flood is a Candidate For Governor

House of Representatives, Washington, D. C., Dec. 30, 1920. T. Freeman Eps, Esq., V.

My dear Mr. Eps— I have received your letter of a few days ago asking me to become a candidate for the democratic nomination for governor of Virginia. I have received similar letters from friends throughout the state and have been urged personally by a great many of my friends to make this race. I appreciate most highly the confidence and friendship which these letters and personal visits indicate.

I am greatly moved I should be regarded by so many people in Virginia as worthy of this high office. I would feel much honored to be governor of my native state which I love to which I have tried to serve to the best of my humble ability for a past thirty years. In retaining the views I do on questions of state policy, which are the outgrowth of this service, I believe I could at this time be of some service to the state and her people. This belief could make the service as governor particularly pleasing to me.

I must consider, however, that I have just been elected to the sixty seventh congress from the Tenth Virginia district, and many of my friends and constituents have urged me to remain in Congress and continue with them, much for their loyalty to me in the past, and particularly in the recent election. The republicans in the district endorsed a farmer, prominent in the Farmers' Union, who until recently claimed to be a democrat, against me, to whose support they expected to draw a large number of democratic farmers, but although the republicans were better organized and more money was spent in the district in behalf of this candidate than has been the case since I have been in congress, my majority was the largest I have ever received.

I feel deeply grateful to the democrats of the Tenth District and do not feel that I could sever my connection with them as their representative in Congress against the wishes of so many of them.

I am also obliged to have in mind the need of the democratic party for representatives of experience in the next house. This matter has been presented to me by a number of my colleagues with whom I have served in the past.

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LETTER FROM KITCHIN

"House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.,
November 15, 1920.

Hon. H. D. Flood,
Appomattox, Va.

"My Dear Hal:

"I am sorry I was not able to see you last week before you left Washington, to discuss with you the matter about which you inquired. I am sorry I have had intimation from some of your friends in Virginia that they desire you to retire from Congress and make the race for governor. While you know that, on account of the personal relation which has existed between us since we first elected together two years ago, I would be glad to see any ambition you may have gratified to the full extent, still I do hope that you can forego any ambition that you or your friends may have of being governor of your state, and remain in the house for the next four years. During the next four years in the house that ever during the war period, as conspicuous and helpful as was your service then.

"To be candid with you, it seems that I will be the unanimous choice of the democrats for minority leader in the next congress. If so, even as you are the kind of a good leader of congress I would hesitate a long time before accepting the minority leadership. In consenting to be a candidate for it, I was especially counting on the helpful operation of you and a few other of your mutual friends in organizing and keeping organized the democrats

in the house. On the good record to be made and wise policy to be pursued by the democratic party in its support of its program to govern.

Upon the record the democrats made and policy pursued in the sixty-first and sixty-second congresses, the democrats swept the country in 1912.

"In my judgment, the next four years in the house will give you an opportunity to serve your country and your party such as you never had before.

"I have talked in the last two or three days with all the democratic members who are in Washington, and everyone joins me in urging and insisting upon your remaining in the house.

"I want to talk to you about my matter just as soon as you return to Washington.

"With my warm esteem and best wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

CLAUDE A. KITCHIN."

I find the sentiments expressed in Mr. Kitchin's letter very general and appropriate with whom I have served in the past.

The sentiment of my colleagues and respect for the wishes of my own district require me to remain in Congress and impel me to forego at this time any opportunity which I may have to be governor of Virginia.

Greatly thanking you and your friends, to all of whom I cannot write, for their confidence in me and their kind interest in my personal fortunes, and regretting that my situation is such that I cannot comply with their suggestions, I am, with much respect,

Very sincerely yours,

H. D. FLOOD.

Now that Mr. Flood has spoken the friends of Mr. Tucker feel that no man can win the Democratic nomination for governor of Virginia over the Rockbridge statesman. The State is fortunate in having a man so well qualified for the duties of the Virginia White House as Mr. Tucker, and soon after the holidays his organization will press his claims for the honor in every county and the state of the Commonwealth. His Appomattox friends want to see this county warmly supporting him.

Buckingham

A trip to the Eastern part of Virginia last week found conditions changed there. First and second class timber for building are now engaged in getting railroad and agricultural products. In getting to a prominent position in the market, it is necessary to learn that great quantities of timber for ship building are gotten by hand. The trees, to begin with, are cut down by hand, and then the roots and stumps are used and are hewn into shape entirely by hand. I saw the seven Pines reservation, formerly owned by the state, and I was told that the houses were being sold to working people, who can live there and not have to depend on the market car. I am sure that the market car is not the only one that has been sold.

And now we have New Kent county and New Kent counties after leaving Richmond and I found that Buckingham and New Kent counties are in a similar position. And New Kent county has been sold to working people, who can live there and not depend on the market car. I am also obliged to have in mind the need of the democratic party for representatives of experience in the next house. This matter has been presented to me by a number of my colleagues with whom I have served in the past.

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Beginner in French—Miss Payne, is the

one who says "I don't know in French: 'J'arrive pas'?" "Of course not, Je ne sais pas."

Rev. J. H. Gordon was a visitor to the Hill last week. He related with some interest that this was the most perfect health—eating every day.

There was a quiet marriage at the Vera parsonage on Saturday afternoon, when the bride became the happy wife of Mr. Willie Patterson.

Mrs. Faye Page and Vard Morris visited

the home of Mr. "Gibby" Gordon last

week.

Teacher (to sixth grade pupil)—"Make a sentence containing the preposition 'up'." (verb, past tense, past participle.)

Answer (Brilliant) "I went up the hill."

Then Appomattox had a union, great big

and strong in me and you;

And when I was a boy I could stop to think the

that began to sin;

It turned the houses upside down and pulled

the trees up,

And to everyone's great surprise, the thing,

it walked about.

It stepped on everybody's toes, they had to

give it room,

And the folks could say's word 'twas

sweeping with the broom;

It cleaned out every place in reach, then

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